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From: Sharon Pecoraro [specoraro@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2013 8:45 PM
To: Manager Department
Cc: Engineering Department
Subject: Spruce Street Parking

With the Board of Selectmen scheduled to meet to discuss the future of parking on Spruce Street, between Massachusetts Avenue and Arlington, we would like to fully support the plan to enforce two-hour parking restrictions at all times. As we try to build a new business on that block, we hear many complaints from customers that there is not enough parking available. We find that many cars are currently parked there from early morning until late afternoon, or even evening – every day! We are losing potential customers due to their inability to find nearby parking.

We certainly would appreciate any and all help as we try to help West Acton grow!

Sincerely,

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From: Dino Bottos [knblaw@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 12:52 PM
To: Manager Department
Cc: Engineering Department
Subject: parking on Spruce Street

Good aftrenoon,

It has been brough to my attention that a meeting will be held regarding the parking on Spruce Street. Although I will not be able to attend, I hope to express my thoughts on the situation. As it currently stands, if I am not mistaken, there is no time limit to parking on Spruce Street. This is very inconvenient for local businesses as the amount of parking spots is limited. There are a handful of cars that frequently park there first thing in the morning and do not leave until several hours later. This is a nuisance to the business that rely on those parking spots for customers and clients, and for potential tenants that see what the parking situation. I am completely in favor of enforcing a 1 Hour Limit to these spots, similar to the spots on Mass Ave., as it is "public parking" and the frequent violators treat the spots as if they are their own.

Please let me know if you have any questions for me. Thank you for your time.

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From: Rich Presti [rich.presti@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 11:03 AM
To: Manager Department
Cc: Engineering Department
Subject: Spruce St. On street Parking

I would like to submit my total support of the proposed 2 hour parking limitation on Spruce St.

As the owner of # 5,7,9 Spruce St, I can speak to the ongoing parking problem, which has become increasingly worse.

In addition to there simply not being enough parking, the few spots that do exist are constantly dominated by the same employees of another local business, that will not allow those employees to park on her premises. These individuals arrive around 8am , 6 days a week, and their vehicles remain until 6-7pm.

Previously, many of these same vehicles were parked along Massachusetts Ave, but since parking restrictions have been implemented there, they have have now "relocated" to Spruce St.

There are 4 spots that exist directly in front of my building, and an additional 2 that are at the beginning (south end) of Spruce St, before the first driveway.

I would ask that all remain, and all have the 2 hour limitation placed on them so that EVERYONE has equal access to park, for a reasonable period of time.

Please understand that I am not making this request for my tenants. This request is being made so that the customers and clients of ALL the nearby businesses will be able to park.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration

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From: Chip Morris [Chip.Morris@actonschoolofballet.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 11:19 AM
To: Manager Department; Engineering Department
Subject: Parking on Spruce Street

Sirs/Madams:

As a business owner on Spruce Street, I support the efforts to limit on-street parking on Spruce Street to a two-hour limit. The viability of businesses on Spruce Street depends on the availability of parking.

Unfortunately, the employees of some businesses on Massachusetts Avenue have been dominating the parking, both on-street and in private lots (including ours), for entire working days. While I sympathize with their parking dilemma, it is unfair for other businesses in the area to bear the burden of supplying parking for their employees.

The viability of West Acton as a business district depends on the reasonable availability of customer parking.

Thank you,

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Re: Public Parking on Spruce Street

Dear Sir or Madame:

My law office is located at 5-B Spruce Street in West Acton. I moved into the office in August. The neighborhood has proven to be a great location, with one major exception – the availability public parking.

I chose my business location carefully, and I intentionally selected a high-traffic location with what looked like ample public parking. Soon after moving into the space, however, I realized that public parking was a serious issue. The street parking just outside my office, that I assumed would be available to me and my clients, is used daily by employees of Moodz Salon, a Main Street business.

The same seven or eight vehicles are parked all day, just about every business day, along the east side of Spruce Street, from the corner of Main Street to the driveway between 5 and 11 Spruce Street. This means that virtually every public parking space on the east side of Spruce Street is rendered unavailable to me, my clients, prospective clients, my neighbors, and their customers all day, nearly every day.

A few months ago, I had an encounter with one of the all day parkers, who informed me that she was parking in front of my office and intended to leave her vehicle all day because Moodz employees are not allowed to park in their employer's lot. She explained that those parking spaces are reserved for use by only customers of that Main Street business. This may be a convenient arrangement for Moodz; but the result is that my neighbors and I cannot offer convenient parking to customers of our Spruce Street businesses.

I believe an enforced two-hour limitation for Spruce Street parking would remedy the situation and make parking available throughout the day. I urge you to take all actions necessary to implement such a limitation.

Very truly yours,


Patrice Brymner, Esq.